



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

MBHB Case No. 98,475-B1

In the Application of:

Paul Mertens, Marc Meuris, and Marc Heyns

Serial No.: 10/074,706

Filed: February 13, 2002

For: Method and Apparatus for Localized Liquid

Treatment of the Surface of a Substrate

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents Mail Stop 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 **Examiner: Shamim Ahmed** 

**Group Art Unit: 1765** 

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## **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

Applicants respond to the Office Action dated February 25, 2004 as follows.